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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/997,240
Filed: November 30, 2001
Inventor(s): W. Yan et al.
For: Isolated Homozygous Stem Cells, Differentiated Cells
Derived Therefrom, and Materials and Methods for Making and
Using Same
Our Ref: 0249-0001

Sir:

Submitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
2. Response to Restriction Requirement;
3. Our check in the amount of \$1,005.00 to cover the Petition fee for a 5 Month extension (small entity); and
4. One Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached prepaid postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-0622. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: 3/30/04

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